

From: [Mason, Steve](#)
To: [Crossland, Ronnie](#); [Smith, Monica](#)
Cc: [Adams, Adam](#)
Subject: RE: Update
Date: Monday, March 18, 2019 6:45:45 AM

In summary...

As of 7:00 last night only two tanks were involved, has that changed?

As of 5:00 this morning, there were 8 tanks involved in the fire... most have fire in the roof area, but 1 or 2 is just involving the manifold of the tank... this is ever-changing...

Is ASPECT back in Addison or still in Houston area?

As of last night, it was at Ellington Field in Houston

If more tanks are involved, is there a new estimate on potential length of the incident?

Talking to the CIMA Incident Commander and the Harris County HAZMAT, it is difficult to tell... all the materials burning are light oils, which would tend to burn more quickly, but it will also depend on if other tanks become involved...

If new tanks are involved, what do they contain?

(Yubase 6 – mixed oil) Tank 2 – manifold and roof

(Gasoline Blendstock) Tank 3- manifold

(Xylene) Tank 5 - both

(Gasoline Blendstock) Tank 6 - both

(Naphtha) Tank 8 - both original started

(SN 115 – oil based) Tank 11 - both

(Toluene) Tank 13 -both

(Empty) Tank 9 - empty, manifold is engaged, and tank is collapsing

(Pyrolysis gas) about 4:30 a.m. Tank 14 – was on fire but put fire out

Looks like La Porte ISD has canceled classes out of an abundance of caution.

Both Deer Park and La Porte canceled classes simply because they had to decide early for buses and other early morning deadlines

Any injuries?

None reported to this point

Are the other response organizations reporting any measurements of concern in air monitoring?

CTEH had some hits for particulates last night which is to be expected... one hit of a VOC approximately 6 miles from the fire site... TCEQ, EPA START, ASPECT, Harris County have had no detects on everything to this point...

With Regards, Steve



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From: Crossland, Ronnie
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As of 7:00 last night only two tanks were involved, has that changed? Sounds like more in news reports. Is ASPECT back in Addison or still in Houston area? If more tanks are involved, is there a new estimate on potential length of the incident? If new tanks are involved, what do they contain? Looks like La Porte ISD has canceled classes out of an abundance of caution. Any injuries? Are the other response organizations reporting any measurements of concern in air monitoring?

From: Smith, Monica
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Need to update the spot report with this info.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 18, 2019, at 6:19 AM, Mason, Steve <mason.steve@epa.gov> wrote:

ACTIVE SHELTER IN PLACE UPDATED 6AM

Update from the City of Deer Park:

As of 5:30AM, the City of Deer Park has received confirmation that no air quality readings conducted in response to the Intercontinental Terminals Company (ITC) incident have exceeded action levels.

In light of this information, the City **has made the decision to lift the Shelter-in-Place order and to re-open State Highway 225 with the public.** Portions of Independence Parkway will remain closed until further notice.

The City has just received notification that all Deer Park Independent School District campuses will be closed today, March 18.

Emergency Services Director Robert Hemminger indicated that this is still a dynamic incident and air monitoring will continue. Residents are encouraged to monitor City social media for updates.

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